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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Before the Examiner:

R. A. Green

William L. Bashore

Serial No.: 09/176,077

Group Art Unit: 2176

Filed: October 20, 1998

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action having a mailing date of March 16, 2004 (Paper No. 20), having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on June 16, 2004, please reconsider the rejections of the claims in view of the following remarks:

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.

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